## IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the Application.

1. (Currently Amended) A drum washing machine comprising: an elastic supporting unit which elastically supports vibration system members including at least

a water tub[[,]];

a rotating tub which is provided in the water tub so as to be rotatable about a transverse axis and has an a cylindrical inner peripheral wall having two axial ends, and a front end plate and a rear end plate both located at the axial ends of the peripheral wall respectively, the rotating tub further having an access opening at the front end plate side and a rotating shaft at the rear end side;

<u>an elastic supporting unit which elastically supports vibration system members</u> <u>including the rotating tub</u> and an electric motor which drives the rotating tub[[,]]; and

a baffle assembly <u>disposed in the rotating tub;</u>[[,]] the rotating tub having two axial end plates,

wherein the rotating tub is supported on the rotating shaft so as to be rotated about an axis that is inclined frontwardly upward;

the baffle assembly includes an auxiliary baffle which is provided on an inner surface of the inner peripheral wall of the rotating tub so as to extend in an axial direction of the rotating tub and is located so as to be close to the front end plate one of both axial end plates of the rotating tub and spaced away from the rear end plate the other end of the rotating tub; and

the auxiliary baffle has an inclined portion which descends descending from the front one end plate side toward the rear other end plate side to the inner peripheral wall of the rotating tub and a triangular inclined surface downwardly inclined from the inclined portion toward the inner peripheral wall of the rotating tub, the inclined surface working on laundry in the rotating tub so that the laundry is pushed thereby to be moved thereby to be inclined relative to a horizontal plane in order that laundry located near the front end plate may be

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moved toward the rear end plate and a triangular inclined surface downwardly inclined from the inclined portion toward the inner peripheral wall of the rotating tub.

- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3.-4. (Cancelled)
- 5. (Cancelled)
- 6. (Currently Amended) The drum washing machine according to claim 1, further comprising a plurality of main baffles provided on an axial center of the inner peripheral wall of the rotating tub so as to extend in a direction of axis of the rotating tub, wherein characterized in that a peripheral position of the auxiliary baffle with respect to the rotating tub differs from peripheral positions of the main baffles with respect to the rotating tub.
- 7. (Previously Amended) The drum washing machine according to claim 6, wherein the auxiliary baffle and the main baffles are disposed so as to be spaced peripherally away from each other with respect to the rotating tub.
- 8. (Previously Amended) The drum washing machine according to claim 1, wherein the auxiliary baffle extends so as to be tapered from one of the end plates of the rotating tub toward the other end plate of the rotating tub.
- 9. (Previously Amended) The drum washing machine according to claim 1, wherein the auxiliary baffle has a radial dimension set at 30 mm or above with respect to the rotating tub.
  - 10. (Cancelled)